

APPENDIX

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 2-5 as follows:

--2. (Amended) An ophthalmic ointment [for treating infective eye diseases] as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said eye diseases are caused by methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA)[, containing as an active ingredient from 0.01 to 5.0% of vancomycin hydrochloride.]

3. (Amended) An ophthalmic ointment [for treating infective eye diseases] as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said eye diseases are caused by methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus epidermidis* (MRSE)[, containing as an active ingredient from 0.01 to 5.0% of vancomycin hydrochloride].

4. (Amended) An ophthalmic ointment as claimed in Claim 2, wherein said infective eye disease is [for treating] keratitis [caused by MRSA, containing as an active ingredient from 0.01 to 5.0% of vancomycin hydrochloride].

5. (Amended) An ophthalmic ointment as claimed in Claim 3, wherein said infective eye disease is [for preventing] keratitis [caused by MRSE, containing as an active ingredient from 0.01 to 5.0% of vancomycin hydrochloride].--

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